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## OUZTS-WILLIAMS.

**Very Beautiful Home Wedding.  
Large Number of Guests,  
Sumptuous Feast. Nu-  
merous Gifts.**

Mr. William M. Ouzts, who resides midway between Mountain Creek church and Kirksey has one of the most modern appointed homes to be found in this section. This elegant ten-room country mansion has water, gas lights, and is equipped with the luxuries and comforts of a city home. At no time has this well-nigh ideal home appeared to better advantage than it did on Thursday evening last when the holiday festivities culminated in a brilliant wedding, the occasion being the marriage of Mr. Ouzts' eldest daughter, Miss Susan Eleanor Ouzts, and Mr. Goode Mobley Williams, Rev. J. L. Ouzts, of Inman, an uncle of the bride, officiating, being assisted by Rev. J. E. Johnson.

The entire lower floor of this large residence was decorated with smilax, holly, mistletoe, ferns and palms. Not only was one on crossing the threshold impressed with the surpassing beauty and artistic arrangement of the decorations but also with their great profusion, wondering where so many of nature's choicest creations were procured. Particularly lovely were the decorations in the right front parlor, where the ceremony was performed. In one corner, ferns, palms and other potted plants were arranged in pyramid effect with a canopy of evergreens leading out to a graceful arch of green and white, from the centre of which was suspended a huge white bell. Beneath this snow-white bell the hearts and lives of these happy young people were united. Just as the bridal party was ready to enter the parlor the lights were turned low and tiny candles arranged about the arch gave added charm to the lovely scene with their soft rays.

The suspense that is always experienced at every wedding for a short time just before the crucial moment arrives was relieved on this occasion by two solos, "All that I ask is love" and "This all I know," that were faultlessly sung by Miss Susie Matthews, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Pierce Matthews, who was accompanied on the piano by her sister, Miss Lura Matthews.

The bridal party formed in the upper hall and descended the stairway as Lohengrin's wedding march was sounded upon the piano by Mrs. Wilbur Harling, entering the parlor in the following order; Miss Kate Williams with Mr. Jesse Ouzts, Miss Tabbie Ouzts with Mr. Hugh Williams, and next came the groom on the arm of his best man, Mr. Goode Dorn, of Sumter. The last to enter was the charming bride on the arm of her maid of honor, Miss Elise Ouzts, of Edgefield. During the ceremony Miss Susie Matthews sang "Because" in soft, sweet notes, being accompanied on the piano by Miss Lura Matthews.

The bride wore a rich gown of embroidered chiffon over white mesaline and carried an armful of bride's roses and lilies of the valley. Her beauty was heightened by the long veil that hung gracefully about her slender form. The maid of honor was clad in a very handsome dress of pink marquisette over pink satin. She carried a bouquet of pink roses and carnations. The bridesmaids were prettily attired in white net over pink silk. No prettier scene was ever witnessed than that which was presented in this happy home as the members of the bridal party arranged themselves in a semi-circle facing the two ministers. As our eyes beheld it, we said, mentally, surely the angels as they peer from the battlements of heaven are smiling upon so hallowed and so beautiful a scene as this.

After receiving congratulations, the bride and groom led the way to the east dining room, being followed by the other members of the bridal party. This room, from the standpoint of the decorations, was the *piece de resistance* of the occasion, the color scheme being pink and green. Myriads of pink roses and carnations were arranged about the table and entire room, making a beautiful setting for the merry bridal party. Here as well as in the east dining room a sumptuous wed-

ding feast was served. Such an elegant feast as this, considered from the standpoint of great variety and beautiful manner in which it was served, one rarely sees. Notwithstanding the large number of guests, two hundred or more, all were served promptly and without the least confusion. This was made possible by the wonderful poise and executive ability of Mrs. George Andrews of Greenwood, a cousin of the bride, who planned the details of the entertainment and had everything carried out with military precision and promptness, and yet seemingly without any effort on her part.

As the guests left the dining room Miss Ida Timmerman who was standing at the door pinned a sprig of mistletoe daintily tied with pink ribbon on each one.

Some one has said that "matches are made in Heaven," but if one is to judge by the sorrow and unhappiness that soon supplant the happiness of the nuptial day, at least a few marriages are essentially earthly. But, after all, marriage only reflects those who enter into this divinely appointed relationship. It can not be heaven born if those who enter it are distinctly earthly and of low ideals. Surely, then, judging by this standard, one is constrained to believe that the vows that were made on this occasion were recorded by the angels. We have never before seen two young people embark upon the matrimonial sea with everything giving such full promise of a *bon voyage* throughout their future years. The bride is a very accomplished young woman, a graduate of Lander college, and her genial nature, sweet spirit, and charming personality cause her to be a social favorite wherever she is known. Besides her superior graces of heart and mind, she is decidedly practical and manifests an unusual fondness for domestic life, which fit her for being an ideal life companion for an active, progressive young farmer. The groom is a young man of exemplary habits and possesses sterling qualities that place him far above the average young man. He is a successful young planter of the Gaines section of Greenwood county.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams can both be sincerely congratulated upon the very gracious manner in which Fortune has favored them.

Arranged on tables in the left front parlor were numerous and very handsome gifts that were presented by relatives and friends from Edgefield and Greenwood counties and from other parts of the state. We have never seen a handsomer assortment of silver, cutlery, hand-painted china, cut glass, linen, paintings, rugs, art squares and beautiful rockers.

Memories of this happy occasion will linger not alone in the minds of the bride and groom, but in those of scores and scores of friends whose good fortune it was to be present. It afforded an opportunity for the mingling of people from both Edgefield and Greenwood who had not seen each other for many months. Then, too, aside from the delightful social feature, the truly genuine hospitality that was so lavishly and so graciously dispensed made this occasion one not soon to be forgotten.

Added charm and diversion were afforded by numerous appropriate selections upon the piano, at times almost drowning the chatter of an hundred well loosened tongues. Among those who performed very beautifully at intervals during the evening were Mrs. Wilbur Harling, Miss Lura Matthews and Misses Helen and Ruth Strom.

Arranged in a huge pyramid on a table in the front hall were little boxes whose covers were embellished with the monogram, "O. W." and the date of the marriage, "December the 28th, 1911," both done in gold. Each box contained a slice of the bride's cake. One of these dainty little boxes was presented to each guest as a souvenir on their departure by Miss Helen Strom.

Physician: "Have you any aches or pains this morning?" Patient: "Yes doctor; it hurts me to breathe; in fact, the only trouble now seems to be with my breath."

Physician: "All right. I'll give you something that will soon stop that."—Good Housekeeping.

## PARKSVILLE NEWS.

**Joyous Christmas at Parkville.  
Murder and Suicide. Ma-  
sonic Officers Elected.  
Union Meeting.**

The old year 1911 is gone, the record is on file so to speak. What has been written has been irrevocably written. Many mistakes have been made, but these should help us to write well on the clean pages of the new year just beginning. A happy new year to each and all of our 8,000 readers with the hope that the year may bring prosperity which alone in its true sense can come only from right actions and chaste living.

Christmas has come and gone to Parkvillians, bringing happy reunions among old Anon's family, as well as many others, in fact, all our people so far as I know. We had all our children, grand children and great grand children with us to bless us, and to cheer us, and they did not forget us in distributing their tokens of remembrance.

The old and the young vied with each other in making merry, and the only catastrophe in our town was the tearing down of the magnificent awning in front of the post office by the fiery steed belonging to Mr. W. W. Fowler. It seems to have occurred in this wise: The steed, Selem, we will call him, was spirited, not full of spirits, and a common paper being placed too near his rear extremities caused him to rear up behind, and in coming down he did it with such force and emphasis, that he came in contact with the aforesaid ornament to Uncle Sam's premises with the results before mentioned. The damage done is less than \$600 and Uncle Sam is able to bear it. The post mistress is a soldier, a comrade, and like Rachel, she refused to be comforted.

Our Masonic fraternity at a recent meeting elected the following officers for the ensuing Masonic year: R. N. Edmunds, W. M. W. M. Robertson, S. W.; J. W. Christian, J. W.; J. R. Blackwell, secretary; W. B. Parks, treasurer; W. G. Blackwell, S. D.; Kim Holmes, J. D.; J. B. Dorn, Tyler.

Twigg's Hill on Thursday evening last killed Will Jennings' wife, a mulatto woman, who lived in the Rehoboth neighborhood. It seems from what the negroes say, that Twigg's tried to get this woman to run off with him, and she refusing he shot her to death, after which he beat her head into a jelly with a rock. Whereupon Twigg, whether he had in mind the cost of a trial for murder, and the trouble to his excellency in pardoning him out or not, I do not know; but I do know, that Twigg did with all haste and dispatch proceed to Moultrie's mill pond and there immerse himself in its limpid waters until he was quite dead. This is proven by the fact, that his dead body was drawn from the pond on Saturday, and identified by his relatives. This is the second negro homicide in the same community within a few months, and it occurs to me, that a little hanging in this part of old Edgefield would be in order, if his excellency would kindly permit. White men, who take the part of a low down murderer, whether he be white or black, should be ostracised from decent society. Let the lawabiding, who are so complacently resting upon the certainty and stability of our civilization sit up and take notice. Something certainly ought to be done.

The union meeting of the third division of the Edgefield association convened with the Clark's Hill Baptist church yesterday, and day before. On Saturday although the clouds were lowering a goodly number from the several churches were in attendance, delegates from all the churches being enrolled. All four of the queries were thoroughly discussed by brethren H. E. Bunch, Rev. Mr. Seago, Rev. P. B. Lanham, J. C. Morgan, J. G. McKie, L. G. Bell, and others. By motion it was resolved that the collection, after the missionary sermon by Rev. Earl Freeman, be given to C. C. Brown for the old preachers' fund.

Sunday morning the exercises were in the hands of Brother J. G. McKie, superintendent of Clark's

## JOHNSTON LETTER.

**Mr. and Mrs. Hardy Give Brilliant Reception. Mr. and Mrs. Wertz Have Family Re-union.**

The last brilliant social affair of Christmas week, was the reception on Friday afternoon, given by Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hardy, to their son Mr. and Mrs. W. Hardy and his beautiful bride whose marriage had occurred the day previous at Pickens. The spacious Hardy home had a very festive air with decorations of holly and southern amylax, and the scene was one of much animation and beauty, and at the entrance, Miss Lillian Hardy and Mrs. W. J. Hardy welcomed the guests.

The evening line stood within the parlor, and between the hours of 4 and 5, about 100 friends greeted the happy couple and offered them congratulations.

The guests were conducted from here to Miss Conna Hardy to the room across the hallway, where a tempting table of refreshments was served, the decorations of the room being of spiced pink carnations and ferns. Miss Lillian Smith escorted the guests into the dining room where the fruits were served, and the hostess skill as a house keeper was thoroughly demonstrated. In here was the bride's table, a beautiful affair with garlands of white and ferns extending from the chandelier to the corners of the table, and a large mirror upon a lace cover, reflected the silver bowl of white carnations. Passing from this room, coffee with whipped cream and cakes were offered by Mrs. H. H. Wertz.

The party broke up about an hour and a half, and was in the hall, and a dancing ball. The occasion was a most delightful one and the guests departed with the best of wishes.

Among the out-of-town guests were Congressman and Mrs. J. F. Wertz, of Aiken; Hon. J. W. Thurmond of Edgefield; Mrs. Grace Thrift of Edgefield; Miss Natalie Hollingsworth, of Atlanta; Miss Lillian Smith of Edgefield and others.

The young folks of the town enjoyed a masquerade at the skating rink at Turner hall on Thursday evening, and there were a number of fancy costumes. The prize for the couple in best mask and for most graceful skating was given to Miss Nell Beckham and Mr. Robert Kenny. Miss Elise Mobley won the prize for the most graceful single skater, and Mr. Homer Moyer for the fastest in the race.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Turner entertained with a dinner on the evening of December 25th, and those present to enjoy their hospitality were Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Goodwyn, of Greenwood; Miss Addelle Fellers, of Newberry; Mrs. Charlotte V. Spearman, of Newberry; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lott, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Crouch.

Miss Angelle Andrews, of Asheville, N. C., and Mr. Sales Andrews, of High Point, N. C., are here for a visit to their mother, Mrs. Lillie Andrews.

On Thursday afternoon Mrs. W. J. Hatcher entertained the sunbeams, and the chief feature to them was the Christmas tree ablaze with lights. Red stockings filled with sweets were the pretty souvenirs.

Meadames Willie Tompkins and F. S. Jefferson spent last week at Meeting Street with relatives.

Miss Gladys Sawyer has gone to Barnwell to visit friends.

Dr. Victor Seigler has been visiting relatives and friends in town.

Mr. John G. Guinnard, of Columbia, visited at the home of Mr. J. W. Payne during the holidays.

Mr. Hugh Mitchell, of Charleston, was here for a few days this week. Mr. Clarence Mobley, of Knoxville, Tenn., has been spending awhile with his sisters, Misses Ella and Lillian Mobley.

Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Wertz enjoyed a re-union of their children on Christmas day, and with them were Mr. and Mrs. Getsen Wertz, of Columbia; Mr. and Mrs. Dessie Hogan, of Congaree; Mr. Leroy Wertz, of Belton; Prof. and Mrs. Wilbur Wertz, of Spartanburg; Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Goodwyn, of Greenwood, and Mr. and Mrs. H. W.

Crouch and Mr. and Mrs. Claud Wertz of this place.

Capt. Jeter Horton, of the U. S. A., Manila, spent a few days of the past week here at the home of Mr. Elzie LaGrone.

The Y. P. B. assisted by the music class of the high school had a silver medal contest at the auditorium on Thursday evening, and the program contained many interesting numbers, and the Christmas carols were especially sweet. At the conclusion Miss Cleve Moyer was presented with the medal, the title of her selection being "The bridal winecup." Each of the contestants did splendidly.

The Christmas offering of the Sunbeam band, under the leadership of Mrs. W. J. Hatcher amounted to \$80.

On Sunday morning, December 24th, the Sunday school collection of the Baptist Sunday school was for aged ministers, and although the attendance was small on account of inclement weather, the collection amounted to \$34.

The Johnston News-Monitor has been sold to the Progress Company, located here, but Mr. H. C. Bailey, the recent proprietor, will continue to edit the paper.

Miss Zena Payne entertained with a Christmas dining and a very appropriate centerpiece on the festal board was a miniature Santa Claus with a Christmas tree.

Mrs. Estelle Gough, of Atlanta, has been visiting friends here.

Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Landrum, of Florence are spending awhile here with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Pechman have gone to Barnwell to visit relatives of the former.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira C. Carson have been guests at the home of Mr. P. C. Stevens.

Mrs. C. D. Kenny is in Lynchburg, N. C., visiting her father, Mr. McLeod.

Mr. Edw. H. Barker, of Columbia, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Latta.

Mr. Joseph Wright has gone to Macon, Ga., to spend awhile with her mother, Mrs. Sammon.

Meadames Branson, of Spartanburg, and Kneese, of Batesburg, are visiting at the home of their father, Mr. J. R. Hart.

The young folks enjoyed a Christmas party on Friday evening at the home of Miss Emma Watkins, near town. All went out in wagons and a general good time was had.

Miss Fannie Strother, of Dothan, Ga., is here for two weeks.

Mrs. Charles Early has returned to her home at Florence after a two weeks stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Satcher.

Miss Edith Coleman entertained charmingly on last Tuesday evening in compliment to some visiting friends.

Mrs. W. J. Hatcher and Miss Natalie Hollingsworth made a visit to Columbia this week.

## Plum Branch News.

The Christmas week that has just ended was spent quietly by most of our people, and those who are familiar with past Christmas records say that there has been less disorder than usual on our streets. The inclement weather and muddy streets and roads have interfered with the Christmas plans of many of our people, but many speak of having had a good time, and the children delight to tell of the visit of Santa Claus.

The event to attract most attention during the week was a quiet marriage at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Freeland. Their daughter, Lelia Rebecca, was married to Junius Clifton Adams of the Good Hope section, Rev. J. Earle Freeman officiating. A large number of relatives and friends were present to witness the event, and a beautiful dinner was served immediately after. The bride and groom left on the following day for their future home in Saluda county.

The following young people came home from colleges for Christmas: Miss Dorothy Miller from O. C. I., Miss Lucile Sturkey from Lander college, Mr. Milledge Sturkey from Clemson, Mr. Thomas Miner Jr. and Mr. Hawthorn Banks from S. C. C. I.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Miner entertained Rev. J. Earle Freeman and family as guests on Christmas

## HARDY-MOORE.

**An Edgefield Young Man Weds  
Miss Moore of Pickens.  
Beautiful Church  
Wedding.**

The Hardy-Moore wedding which took place at the Baptist church Thursday afternoon, Dec. 28th, at 2:30 was one of the prettiest church weddings ever witnessed in Pickens and came as the crowning social event of the holidays.

The church was made beautiful with potted plants and mountain-winter-green used in great abundance, transforming the altar into a fascinating bower of green and white mellowed by the softness of rays of electric lights. A short instrumental musical program by Mrs. Earnest Folger, was given before Mendelssohn's Wedding March proclaimed the arrival of the party at the church.

Mr. Eric West Hardy, an aggressive young business man of Hawkinsville, Ga., comes of one of Edgefield county's oldest families and is not only a young man of promise but has already attained honors as a student in Furman University of which he is a graduate and also in Chicago University where he took his post graduate degree.

Miss Madelon Moore is a beautiful, queenly young woman of rare grace and mentality. She wears a traveling suit of dark brown, hat and gloves matching and carried an armful of lily-of-the-valley and mountain-winter-green. Preceded by the ushers, Mr. L. L. Rushton, Johnston, and Mr. J. M. Daniels, Greenville, and the maid of honor, Miss Viola Moore, the bride came to the altar on the arm of her brother, Mr. Dave Moore, the groom and the best man, Mr. Fred Johnson, Greenville, met her at the altar. The Rev. C. A. Waters pronounced the solemn and impressive Augustinian ceremony with the ring symbol.

A special train carried the bridal party to Easley where connection was made with the Southern Railroad, the happy young couple expecting to attend a reception in their honor at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hardy, Johnston.

Many beautiful and useful presents were received from hosts of friends from all over the State. The following out of town guests were present at the marriage:

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hardy, Johnston, Mr. L. L. Rushton, Johnston, Miss Willie Gentry, Greenville, Miss Nell Beam, Greenville, Miss Mary Young, Greenville, Misses Eva and Delia Rankin, Greenville, Miss Lucy Elliston, Greenville, Mr. J. M. Daniels, Greenville, Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Gary, Liberty, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Boggs, Liberty, Mrs. J. H. Brown, Liberty, Mr. and Mrs. Z. L. Chamblin, Liberty, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Brown, Central, Pickens, S. C. Mrs. C. A. Waters.

A West Virginia darkey, a blacksmith, recently announced a change in his business as follows: "Notice—De co-partnership heretofore existing between me and Mose Skinner is hereby resolved. Dem what owe de firm will settle wid me, and dem what de firm owes will settle wid Mose."—National Corporation Reporter.

Mr. George Cartledge and family, Mr. Willie Holly and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Kitchens on Tuesday of Christmas.

Mr. Lin Lyon spent some of the holidays with relatives in Prosperity.

Mr. James Collier and Mr. McAllister spent 5th Sunday in Augusta, and Mr. J. B. Adams and Rev. J. Earle Freeman spent same day at Clark's Hill attending the union meeting.

The new year finds the streets of Plum Branch still full of mud and appearance of the town uninviting, but our people are patiently waiting for brighter days. They are busy making plans for the new year, and they have many problems to solve, and these shut-in days are convenient for thinking out the solution of these.

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